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THE BARBARITIES

If at any time, on either side, any real benefit had been derived from the use of Zeppelins or aeroplanes to bombard enemy cities, there might be some excuse for continued use of these contrivances in the war. But nothing that could possibly compensate for the expense of building and operating them has been achieved.

Sunday's raid on Paris has demonstrated again the uselessness of such effort, even if it be conceded that there is no impropriety of thus trying to kill the unsuspecting in- similarity between the present war habitants of a city not under siege. in Europe and the civil war in the The Zeppelin has degenerated, as a United States. Indeed, the aspects result of experiments since the war in which the military dispositions began, into a mere demonstration are more or less similar are so nuof ambition to devise new and ter- merous that it is rather a fascinatrifying methods of murder. It has ing study to calculate the parallels not been of any military value. If between the two great operations. its use had accomplished the destruc- Of course, such a calculation must tion of Dover, the capture of Calais recognize that there are many feaby the Germans, the evacuation of tures in which the geographic dis-Paris by the French, there might be similarities are quite as striking as some excuse for it, even though endless horrors had marked these ac- can who is reasonably familiar with complishments. But in fact it has just achieved a few desultory mur- will not only be interested to obders. Why not a real protest by the civilized neutrals, in the effort to get tures of likeness and unlikeness, but

LABOR AND WAR

The British government has one idea, to which everything else is and must be bent, and that is to finish the big job in hand as expeditiously by the Germans at the outset. After as possible. When graft was scent- that the war settled down, in the ed, the government notified the man- East, to a series of huge operations ufacturers they would be permitted to make only 10 per cent profit on army contracts. All in excess of such earnings will go into the imperial exchequer. When workmen western campaign of the European struck, the government organized a! labor advisory committee.

dockmen at Liverpool and other paign in Europe. The problem of ports, whose demands caused the de- blockade and use of naval power lay of sailings by the score, and was much the same in both inseriously interfered with the move- stances. The North had the preponment of military supplies as well as of ordinary commerce. Lord Kitchener finally declared drastic measures would be taken to bring to

stances. The Forth had the proposition of military supplies as well as derating naval power, as the allies have the allies have the German ocean to seal up. The North that there were no commercial or efintensified, perhaps, by the new intensified, perhaps, by the new intensified in the combination of sensure in that section, as there was in the formal production and the combination of sensure in the combination of sen terms those responsible for the trou- had also to carry its naval operables, which was followed yesterday by the announcement that the Liverpool dockmen had returned to work.

have been taken within a week. The stantinople, the North had them in government is determined that noth- New Orleans and Mobile. If the ing shall operate to embarrass the Germans are making a most troumilitary progress, and it stands blesome demonstration of irregular ready, if occasion require, to take naval force by the use of their subover and run all plants needful to marines, the South proved no less equip and feed England's armies unmanageable by reason of the enand navy. Both the secretary of terprise of its commerce-destroying war and the chancellor of the exchequer have complained of the damage to the country's interests inwho, if permitted to go to extremes. might endanger the national wel-

The amount of war munitions needed is almost beyond computation, and can barely be grasped by land's supreme need, now that her must flow in vast quantities and uninterruptedly, and will flow, even if men to work.

THE DARDANELLES

The Dardanelles have been supposed to be as impregnable as Hel- Przemysl. Before Vicksburg and goland or Gibraltar. When the allies Gettysburg, which, giving the Union announced that they proposed to pass through this narrow passage- same day, proved the turning point way to the Marmora, the announce- in the war, there had been no time ment was accompanied by a warn- when the North was secure against ing that an easy or a cheap victory the menace of some European comwas not anticipated, but that the plication that might have brought cost had been taken into account and intervention in behalf of the South. England and France stood ready to Likewise, there are political conse-

have been meager and conflicting. ure on the events at Przemysl. Bul-Until the recent frank statement of garia, Roumania, Greece, Italy, have the serious losses sustained by the stood at attention, ready to take attacking fleet little light had been part in the war if conditions should thrown on what had been accom- demand it in protection of their inentrance of the Dardanelles; the next an effective appeal. There was never Once past the forts defending the litical effects. Perhaps it will deternarrowest part of the strait, the mine the course of some of the hesi- Washington Club, discussing Paris and to Constantinople is practically tant powers now hesitating on the its environa.

open. But it is also made plain that brink. If it does, it will determine

But failure to take Constantinople, aid from European countries. now that they have centered the eyes of the world upon the feat and difficult to counteract. It may be taken for granted, therefore, that there will be no sailing away from the Dardanelles because of the sinkng of a few ships. There are times when victory must be had, however great a sacrifice is called for. This s such an occasion. It is one of the critical stages of a war that is wasting blood and treasure at an unprecedented rate. We may look for the allies to stand many staggering blows before they confess defeat.

PRZEMYSL---VICKSBURG

It does not require a great stretch of the imagination to discover a the similarities; but yet the Amerithe grand strategy of our great war serve the development of the feaall sides to agree on suppressing this he will find the study will increase particularly bootless brand of bar- his understanding of what is going on in Europe.

At the beginning, Paris may be compared to Washington, and Berlin to Richmond. There was a Confederate rush toward Washington at the very beginning, which endangerwhose object was to determine which

side should take the other's capital. The Eastern campaign of the civil war may be compared roughly to the struggle; the Western campaign of the civil war had its obvious points Especially troublesome were the of resemblance to the eastern camtions into the Gulf of Mexico, as the allies have the Mediterranean to demand their attention. If the allies All these persuasive measures have a hard nut to crack at Concruisers.

In the eastern campaign in Europe the struggle is primarily for dominaflicted by both mercenary manufaction of the great, rich valley of the turers and haggling labor advocates, Vistula, just as in the civil war it breadth! was for domination of the Mississippi system of rivers. The Northern strategists proposed to split the Confederacy in two by driving a force down the Mississippi; the Russians are trying to force a wedge in the average mind. They are Eng- between the central empires by smashing through on the line of all the cars and power the railroad armies are in the field. Munitions Lemberg, Przemysl, Cracow. Przemysl has withstood magnificently a long and vigorous siege, just as England has to invoke the constitu- Vicksburg did. But Przemysl has tional right of issuing orders in fallen, as Vicksburg did. There were council authorizing seizure of neces- ebbings and flowings of the tide on sary manufactories and compelling the way to Vicksburg; there was a Shiloh, just as in the European war there was a Tannenberg.

More than its rough military likeness may be found between the fall of Vicksburg and the capitulation of great victories East and West on the quences of not dissimilar character Reports from the scene of action which may depend in no small measplished. One day report represented terests or if their sympathies and the allies as not having got past the ambitions should feel the thrill of they would be said to be in position a time after Vicksburg and Gettysto bombard the last of the defenses burg when the danger of European in the narrows. Assuming that the interference with our great struggle latest official announcement, contain- was very serious; and even within ing the loss of three battleships, is the first hours after the fall of the correct, the fleet has now reached Galician fortress there come stories the vital point in its undertaking, that it may have far-reaching po-

this nut has not yet been cracked. | that Germany can hope for nothing There have been a good many mis- from any of them; just as Vickscalculations during this war, and the burg and Gettysburg settled that the allies may have made another one. Confederacy could expect no direct

The siege of Przemysl required more than a half year, and was have made the boast that they would pressed with untiring persistence, capture the city at any cost, would unflagging purpose, from the beginbe a backset the effects of which ning. Interrupted once by an irupon the Balkans and the general ruption of the enemy, it was pressituation in the east it would be ently resumed; and despite threats against Warsaw, despite the mighty smashes of von Hindenburg at Tannenberg and in the marsh and lake country, despite the desperate efforts of the Austrians flowing through the mountain barrier, Przemysl has been held in the grip of a big army that was never withdrawn ter last evening at the presentation for for any temporary or incidental service. Other Russian forces might meet repulse or defeat; they could re-form and stand again; but the big business of taking Przemysl was the first affair in the mind of the Russian staff, just as the capture of sian staff, just as the capture of Laurette Taylor. In each case it has service. Other Russian forces might meet repulse or defeat; they could refer be and before that the first song, "Pirenie Mountains," and her second number, from David's and her second number, from David's "Perie de Bresie," fully displayed both the fiexibility of her voice and the dramatic power for which she is noted. As encores she gave her "Carmen" number, "Suwanee River," and a folk was Beseite Barriscale and before that song adapted by her husband, Gaspari, Laurette Taylor. In each case it has service. Other Russian forces might Vicksburg was the central point in Laurette Taylor. In each case it has Grant's strategy from the day he took control in the West.

Cracow is yet a long way west from Przemysl; but it is the obvious next important station on the line of the Russian advance. Thither the Russians will push on, and it is unbelievable that the German field marshal will be able to continue his Warsaw demonstration against much longer. The Russian way is now open far upon the southern flank of Prussia. Galicia is lost, and it is through Galicia that the practicable, usable road toward the heart of Germany lies.

ONCE MORE, THE WHEAT

The curious notion about the world starving to death some day for inability to produce enough on which to feed itself, got a jolt from new quarter the other day, when it was announced that a new store of over 12,000,000 bushels of available wheat for European consumption ed this Capital as Paris was menaced had been "discovered" in the Tomsk region of central Siberia. The town of Tomsk is about half-way between Vladivostok, on the Pacific, and Petrograd; by railroad, perhaps 3,000 miles from each. It is pretty near the center of the Eurasian continent; vet there are very few people who know anything about it beyond its name. It is the center of probably the greatest potential wheat-growing area in the world, but an area whose possibilities are just beginning to be recognized; not developed. It appears that last year there was a big crop their various characters. in that section, as there was in the fective transportation facilities to bring it out. The trans-Siberian railway runs through the city of Tomsk; but this great trunkline is yet almost without feeders, and to get the wheat hundreds of miles to the railroad was a task only larger than to get cars to transport it while the road was overburdened with the carriage of war munitions that Russia needed more pressingly than she the Tomsk wheat; Europe did. It could be hauled out by way of Vladivostok; a little railroad pull of about the distance across the North American continent at its greatest

This big stock of surplus wheat, anyhow, has been "found" by some enterprising person, and as soon as possible the hauling of it to Vladivostok will begin. It will take two or three months to get it there, with company can possibly devote to the enterprise. Fortunately for the people in Europe who need it, the traffic on the trans-Siberian road has been much heavier westbound since the war began, because so much of that route since the Baltic and the Dardanelles were closed. So the around to the other side of the world via our own Panama canal.

While they are stumbling onto few thousand trainloads of wheat where nobody has thought of looking for it in Siberia, it is reported by the agricultural authorities in this country that the spring planting is going to break all records, just as last fall's planting in the winter wheat country did. Every other country on earth that can raise wheat is going to do it with a vengeance-and a longing for a profit; and 1915 will see the records of breadstuffs production smashed into sky-blue smithereens-whatever they

To Talk on Florence.

Miss Lila Van Kirk will give the sec and of a series of travel talks, "A Walk Through the Streets of Florence," tomorrow morning at Woodward & tothrop's, and on Thursday morning will close the Italian series with "Naples, Pompell, Venice by Moonlight, and the Italian Lakes." The Consumer's League all receive a portion of the proceeds. roday Miss Van Kirk spoke on "Two Weeks in Rome," and yesterday she concluded her series of talks at the

Plays and Players at Capital Theaters This Week

BELASCO.

doroseo to discover the fourth dramatic limension and to give, with the height of originality the breadth of theme and extreme depth of sentiment, a spirit of undying novelty to his productions that At least this would seem to have been

demonstrated to one of the largest audithe second time here, and in its fourth year on the stage, of Richard Walton

seemed to be the leading woman as much as the play that made it such a beautiful poetic drama. And the importance of each of the young wome: who have played the part has been in the others.

Just as Morosco accomplished the mos peculiar feat of sending eight people out into the world to play "Peg O'My Heart" in such a way that almost everyone familiar with the theater feels that he will not have seen all of "Peg" until he sees all of them play it-so h To the average, jaded theatergoer To the average, jaded theatergoer, you whose mind has been imposed the heavy burden of watching crime and sex and vice utilize real literary and sex and vice utilize real acting ability that could have been well devoted to some other purpose, the deli-cate romance of "The Bird of Paradise" comes with a freshness and a purity that cannot but be pleasing. The play, the story of which is too familiar now, to repeat, has its sex philosophy—lots of It has dramatic tensity and its great

hight the introduction of Miss Ulrich is one of the really big things that have happened in the theater here this sea-A personality of great charm, an to give a correct reading of the difficult lines of her part, and with this the art to present all the lights and hades of the complex character of the Hawalian girl, registers so completely in the minds of those that saw her that Miss Ulrich's future appearances here in whatever she may elect to appear, will be sure to attract an audience. That, by the way, being one of the highest developments of the art of the

leading woman is as carefully balanced as are most of the Morosco organiza-William Desmond, leading man for his manager at the Burbank Theater in Los Angeles, is the Paul Wilson this year. Mr. Desmond is quite able to give the best sort of character study and he makes Wil-son a very human person. David son a very human person. David Hartford, as "Ten Thousand Dollar" Dean, May McKay Lane as Mrs Denn, May McKay Lane as Mrs. Sysonby, Mary Grey as Diana, Robert Morris as Captain Hatch and John Burton as Sysonby, are some of those

terest that has been added in the in-terpretation of the story by the new set of thoroughly capable players GARDNER MACK.

GARDEN.

Lew Dockstader, the minstrel star, was again seen as a film star at Moore's Garden Theater yesterday in Hal Reid's play, "Dan." The drams tells a powerful heart interest story of slavery days and the civil war and Dockstader presents a characterization needed wheat. Russia didn't need of a faithful slave who lays down his life for the honor of his master's fam-

Wednesday and Thursday the stars of ure of the Louzats." The remainder of the week will be given over to the first of the Mutual Master Pictures, Richard Harding Davis' "The Lost House," featuring the screen favorite Lillian Gish and produced under the personal direction of D. W. Griffith. Miss Gish is supported by Wallace Reid, F. A. Turner, Elmer Clifton, A. D. Sears, and others. Special musical accompaniments are provided by the Garden Sym-phony Orchestra.

MOORE'S STRAND.

Marguerite Clark, in Grace Livingston Furniss' comedy, "Gretna Green," attracted crowds to Moore's Strand Theater yesterday. The piece derives its title from the celebrated spot in war material had been going in by Scotland where eloping couples were quickly married. In "Gretna Green" Miss Clark is assisted by Arthur Hoops, Julia Walcott, Lowell Sherman, Helen eastgoing cars can take on wheat Lutrell, Russell Bassett, and others. and from Vladivostok it will be sent "Gretna Green" will be shown today and tomorrow.

Thursday and the remainder of the week Edith Wynne Mathison will be seen in a film production of "The Governor's Lady." one of David Belasco's stage presentations. This production marks the camera debut of Miss Mathi-

The special feature which met with instant popularity was the initial presentation of the latest novelty, the anisentation of the sentation of the sentat recognized soloists. phony Orchestra furnishes appropriate nusical accompaniments.

CASINO.

The Casino Theater has come back into its own, apparently, under the management of Harris W. Watkins. The bill this week is varied in character and thoroughly entertaining throughout, including two innovations, the exhibition of the photoplay, "The Nightin-gale," by Augustus Thomas, with Ethel Barrymore in the title role, and week's bill at the Cosmos Theater. the Hearst-Selig News Pictorial, Egomar and O'Brien offer I Italian character impersonations, introducing dialect songs and jokes. the comedienne, sings nine songs ex-the comedienne, sings nine songs ex-cellently, and displays some beautiful gowns: Edgar Forman and company in gowns: Edgar Forman and company in "A Day at the Circus." furnish ma-"A Day at the Circus." furnish ma-

performances yesterday afternoon and

amusing comedy. The house was

B. F. KEITH'S.

Carmens, made her appearance at Keith's Theater last night as the major attraction on a bill of diversified amuse-

appears on the vaudeville stage, at prices which make it possible for hunoverestimated especially when the vaudeville stage, not with the remnants

Besides the Calve number, which was given at the end of the bill of last night, are included Earle Reynolds and Neille Dugan, fancy skaters; Angelo l'atricolo, pianist; Miss Ray Dooley, supported by Elmer Graham and Gordon Deoley in a conglomeration of va-riety; James T. Duffy and Mercedes Lorenze, in a miniature musical comedy that has very little merit: Bert Fitz-gibbon, the original daffy dill, and the Alexander Kids, who are cute, cunning, captivating, clever, children. Tameon Kajiyama, the ambidexterous

Epanese writing marvel, absolutely dis-proves the theory that one cannot do two things at once by performing, not enly two, but three, four, and five. His act, from a psychological standpoint is intensely interesting, and his answers intensely interesting, and his answers to questions from the audience were far more worthy than the questions i

POLI'S.

Into that growing gallery of dramatic haracter portraiture which is devoted to the wide variety of interpretations of Eugene Walter's "Paid in Full," the

plished by the playwright in this mas-terplece lies in the fact that interest in performance now centers rather about the way it is performed than about the story itself, for practically every theatergoer is familiar with the The weakness and utter worthlessness

of Joe Brooks, the sudden awakening of Emma, his wife, to all his faults, the types presented in the mother, the sister, the old sea captain, and Jimsy are almost entered the language of compari son as standards of their branches of the human family

The Poli Players' production of "Paid in Full" is, in many respects, the best thing the company has done. The char-acters that stick out of the dramatic mosale are those of Emma, the wife; Joe, and the hard-fisted captain, in the hands of Miss Gilbert, Mr. Lowe, and Mr. Harris, respectively. Mr. Lowe's Joe is perhaps the very best thing he has done since he joined the company. Ho gives a carefully thought out and casily understood character study notable for mistakably suggested.

Miss Gibert's Emma belongs in the same class a well conceived and most carefully built character study. Mr. Harris as Captain Williams displayed a keen understanding of the possibilities of the part and gave a most finished performance, establishing himself clearly and without question in the mind:

his audience at the very start of the play.

Mr. Fellowes was given the part of Jimsy, the friend of the family, who plays a preminent part in the working out of the drama without seeming to be so important. The leading man made the part real to his audience. M Tracey, as the mother; Miss Welch, the sister, and Graham Velsey, as the each gave well built interpretations of their respective char

GAYETY.

Billy Watson and his inimitable slide, together with a big bunch of wellknown burlesquers, are at the Gayety this week, presenting one of the liveliest Cabiria" will be seen in "The Treas- shows seen at the Ninth street theater

The performance, which is in two acts and several scenes, ranging from Narragansett Pier to a French bazaar, never lags a moment. The opening skit, titled "Two Hot Knights," serves to bring out "Sliding" Billy Watson as Major Knight, alias Mike Robe, and there is a riot of fun to the end of the performance, the second act being styled "A Gay Modiste.

Buckley, in an Irish role, is good foil for Watson. The feminine con-tingent includes Ida Bayton, whose vioin specialt, was one of the the performance; Nellie Watson, Helen Spencer and Mazie L'Estrange. George Nible and Helen Spencer have a good dancing specialty while Miss Watson dancing specialty while Miss Watson won favor with one of her songs entitled Wrap Me Up in a Bundle The chorus and the staging of the show are above the average.

CRANDALL'S.

One of the most amusing of comedies was presented by the World Film Corporation before crowded houses all day yesterday at Crandall's Theater, in the film version of "What Happened to Jones," by George Broadhurst, with Fred Mace in the principal role. Sup-Fred Mace in the principal role. Sup-porting Mr. Mace are Josie Sadier and Mary Charleson.

The locale of the piece is laid in a

young girls' seminary. The professor and his intended son-in-law attend a prize fight which is raided by the po-Jones, a traveling salesman, is also. The three escape and find there also. The three escape and find themselves in the young ladies' dormi-tory. The professor attempts to eject Jones, but he demands protection under threat of exposure. Jones is in-troduced as the bishop, and when the real bishop then arrives complications This picture will be continued

Prof. Green's orchestra pleased the patrons with its popular concerts.

COSMOS.

Five entertaining acts of varied vaudeville, some of them quite novel, with the new Charlie Chaplin photoplay feature, "In the Park," are offered in this novelty of the bill is presented by Brightons, who make pictures of animals and landscapes with scraps of Edith Mote, rags in gilt frame settings.

Another novelty is offered by the Til-

"A Day at the Circus." furnish ma-terial for laughter, and Burns and where," and George Choes' company Acker introduce good parodies and nine present a novelty in "Little M troduce good parodies and nine present a novelty in "Little Miss liospital today.

U. S. A.," with a comedian and a Judge Roan be chorus far above the average.

ago and was be of bill is announced for ment Thursday at the matinee.

COLUMBIA.

Seven reels of war pictures, made or cities of Europe were shown for the firs time in Washington at the Columbia Theater last night, and a few of them t was claimed, for the first time in this

The deadly forty-two centimeter siege and the ruins of several cities were pic-tured giving a graphic idea of the de structive power of modern artillery. The pictures were mostly German, most of the English, French and Russian soldiers shown being prisoners in the Ger

man detention camps.
Two views of the Kaiser are given the first showing him reviewing his troops shortly after the outbreak of the war, and the second one on a similar occasion several months later. An ex-cellent view of the Kaiserin visiting a hospital train is shown in the last reel. She chatted vivaciously with officers and nurses as the picture was being taken and her strong features are minutely portrayed on the screen. Several members of the royal family of Bavaria, including the King and Prince Ludwig, the latter in charge of large hospital, were also caught he energetic camera man and are pre-

PROGRAM

(For Today and Tomorrow.)

Meeting of fraternal, social, and other Meeting of fraternal, social, and other organizations of the Nation's Capital, together with a brief tabulation of the most important events scheduled for today and tomorrow, and attractions at the various playhouses. By reference to this column the reader may find at a glance the time and place of happenings in Washington today and tomorrow. The Sunday issue of The Times presents a program of events for the gusuing week.

Today.

Meeting, Washington Grove Association, at home of L. Cabell Williamson, 24 Iowa circle, 8 to 11 p. m. Meeting, Anthony League, the Portner, 2 new Poli Players this week project their idea of this most powerful of all Walter plays.

D. m. Lecture, "The Yellowsitone," bonefit of Keysidea of this most powerful of all Walter plays. stone Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, by Barry Bulkley, red parior, Willard, 8 p. m. Meeting, District Association of Osteopathic Physicians, at home of Dr. George D. Kirk-patrick, the Farragut, 8 p. m. Illustrated lecture "Twijight Sieep," Dr. Kurt E. Schlossingk, Belasco Theater, 3

p. m.
Recital, Miss Idla Van Kirk, benefit of the Consumers' League, auditorium of Woodward & Lothrop's, 11 a. m.
Annual Baltimore conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, Mt. Vernon Flace M. E. Church South, 9 a. m.
Lenten lecture, "What Is the First Sten to Be Taken by the Church Toward Corporate Christian Unity" the Rev. Herman Lillenthal, St. John's Church, Sixteenth and It streets northwest & p. m. H streets northwest, 8 p. m. ancheon, Cornell Club, dutch room, Washington Auxiliary of the Na Meeting, Washington Auxiliary of the Na tional Indian Association, at home of E B. Merritt, 3552 Thirteenth street north

B. Merritt. 2522 Thirteenth street northwest. 8 p. m.
Open House. Home Club. 14 Jackson place northwest. 8 p. m.
Meeting. Women's Movement for Constructive Peace, small ballroom, Willard. 3 p. m.
Masonic-Federal, No. 1; Acacla. No. 8; Takoma. No. 29; East Gate. No. 34; De Molay Mounted. No. 4, Knights Templar; Electa. No. 2; Hethichem. No. 7; Friendship, No. 17; Fidelity, No. 19, Eastern Star.
Odd Fellows-Washington, No. 6; Amilty. No. 27; Golden Rule. No. 21; Fred. D. Stuart. No. 7; Encampment; Ladies Auxiliary of Canton Washington, No. 1, Fartrarchs Mil-27; Golden Rule, No. 21; Fred D. Stuart, No. 7. Encampment; Ladies: Auxiliary of Canton Washington, No. 1, Patriarchs Militant, Knights of Pythias-Webster, No. 7; Excelsior, No. 14; Capital, No. 24; Myrtle, No. 25; Woodmen of the World-Old Glory, No. 3; Mount Vernon Grove, No. 6, Ladies Circle, Ladies of the Maccahesa-Columbia Hise, No.

Ladies of the Maccabees-Columbia Hive, No Socialist Party-Workmen's Circle organiza tion committee. Luncheon, Washington Cultus Club, oak Luncheon, Washington Cultus Club, oak room, Raleigh, 7 p. m. Meeting, Columbia Chapter, D. A. R., oak room, Raleigh, 8 p. m.

Amusements.

Helasco-"Birds of Paradise," \$:20 p. m. Helasco-Illustrated lecture, "Twilight Sleep. 2 p. m. clumbia—"War in Europe," motion pictures 2:15 and 8:15 p. m. Poli's—"Paid in Full." 2:15 and 8:15 p. B. F. Keith's—Vaudeville, 2:15 and 8:15 asino-Vaudeville, continuous, ogmos-Vaudeville, continuous Gayety-Burleague, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m. Majestic-Burleague, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m. Strand-Motion pictures, 11 a. m. to 11 p. Garden-Motion pictures, 11 a. m. to 11 p. Crandall's-Motion pictures, 11 a. m. to

Meeting. Builders' and Manufacturers' Ex-change, at headquarters, 8 p. m. Musicale, MacLeod Class of First Presby-terian Church, New Ebbitt, 8 p. m. Meeting, mission study class, Y. W. C. A., 8 p. m. Address. Ruy Blas-Victor Hugo," Andre Le Breton, before Alliance Francaise, at Cosmos Club, 4:30 p. m. Meeting, Home and School Association of the Western High School, in Franklin School m. Chemical Alumni Association of

Reorge Washington University, Medical School Building, 1925 H street northwest, 8 School Building, 1225 H street northwest, 8 p. m.
Lecture, "Passion Play," Mrs. Margaret L. Coope. Carroll Hall. 8 p. m.
Open House, Home Club, 14 Jackson place northwest, 8 p. m.
Lecture, "Foreign Tariffs," Dr. Frank R. Rutter, auditorium, Y. M. C. A., 8 p. m.
Masonic—Harmony, No. 17, Myron M. Parke, No. 27, School of Instruction; Columbia, No. 1, Royal Arch Masons: Naomi, No. 3; Brookland, No. 11, Eastern Star.
Odd Fellows—Federal Clty, No. 20; Eastern, No. 7; Harmony, No. 9.
Knights of Pythias—Mount Vernon, No. 5; Hermoine, No. 12; Union, No. 22; Columbia, No. 26; Weekly drill Washington Company, No. 1, Uniform Bank; Friendship Temple, No. 9. Pythian Sisters.
Woodmen of the World—Potomac, No. 9, Maple, No. 16.
Order of Scottish Clans—Clan MacLennan,

Woodmen of the World—Potomac, No. 9, Maple, No. 16, Order of Scottish Clans—Clan MacLennan, No. 220, Independent Order of Rechabites—Onward Temple, No. 1221, euchre party, Socialist Party—Italian branch.

Cure for Riggs' Disease Found at Johns Hopkins

BALTIMORE, March 23 .- Experiments at Johns Hopkins Hospital looking to a cure of pyorrhea-Rigg's disease-have reached a stage that reveals the source of the disease is known and what form of treatment is necessary.

The experiments at the Hopkins were begun at the instance of the United States authorites, who had found a partial cure for the disease.

Microscopic examinations have been made of the materials collected about

diseased tooth sockets and the in vestigators have found a cle cause of the affection. They lated from the lower region the proto goon. This ameba is a unicellular or-ganism about one-thousandth of an inch in diameter. Under a microscope it was found that it bore certain relations

Judge Who Sentenced Frank Dies of Cancer

NEW YORK, March 23.-Judge L. S. Roan, who presided at the trial of Leo would M. Frank for the murder of Mary prompted him to creep into her home at Phagan, and who sentenced Frank to night and crush the life out of the motion feath, died of cancer at the Polyclinic er and her children.
The mother and three children died.
Judge Roan became ill several months Clifford, 12, and Irene, 3, are unconsci-

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MAIL BAG

(From The Times' Readers.Y

o the Editor of THE TIMES: Permit me sufficient space to regisr a good old-fashioned howl on the sidewalks of Washington, made, or aleged to be made of paving bricks. avigation on the sidewalks of Washcaused by high bricks. Aside from the unsightliness of the walks, consider the danger of one's contracting string-halt from the double lockstep required to shy the obstacles.

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I know nothing of the cost of walks.

Neither care I. But when I put down a walk, I'll build it of cement or some other smooth material if it costs a doz-en times as much as paving bricks.

Washington, March 22.

Would Link Rock Creek and Potomac Parks.

To the Editor of THE TIMES: Is there no way by which The Times can lend impetus to the plan to link Rock Creek and Potomac Parks? Con-summation of this project probably means as much to the beautification and growth of Washington as any other im-provement proposed in years. The city provement proposed in years. The city is already becoming the mecca for the country's wealthy citizens. It grows is

mportance each week as an ideal place Potomac reservations would mean the establishment of miles of driveways through shaded and grass-covered acres. It would mean probably twenty acres. It would mean probably twenty miles of bridle paths. Where could horse lovers indulge in their favorite sport with more delight than in this sport with more delight than in this sport with more delight than in this area, situated as it is in great part along the banks of a beautiful river? Where could a more beautiful combination of park and river driveways for automobiling be obtained in the Western Hemisphere? And right at the city's elbow. Washingtonians realize th importance of this step, and am sure would appreciate the efforts of such a paper as The Times toward bringing its near materialization. W. W. C. Washington, March 21.

Why Kill the Sparrows

the Editor of THE TIMES: I regret that some people here think that it is necessary for the peace and dignity of Washington to have sparrows eliminated from the ci-death or expulsion. These little are modest in dress and models of industry. Millions of pestiferous bugs, moths, worms, and parasites are devoured by them.

They do not seek sunny climes when winter comes, but "stay on the ich" winter comes, but "stay on the job." They do not steratch like the hen nor crow like the rooster, nor otherwise disurb the slumbers of the sluggard. It is said that they have followed the spread of the English-speaking people, and that if nothing else, should warrant our

kindly consideration.

If they litter the eaves with bits of straw and cotton, that fact should not doom our little feathered beloers to death, for the hungry man will clean it away for a loaf or two of bread. Let not the fastidious rob us of our little

A FRIEND OF THE BIRDS. Washington, March 22,

BY AIDES, IS CHARGE

President of Long Island Railroad Replies to Attack on

Declaring that Postmaster General ing of the postal service, has been mis-Burleson, through lack of understand-Long Island railroad, and chairman of the committee on railway mail pay, to-day made public his reply to the state-ment issued by Postmaster General Burleson, criticising the rallroads for their alleged activity in defeating not only the mail pay law, but the postal appropriation act. Mr. cPters said. appropriation act. Mr ePters said.
"In a published statement Postmaster
General Burleson says that under the
system whereby the railroads are now
paid for carrying the mails, 'the postal authorities are compelled to stand help-lessly by while the railroads loot tho postal revenues.' This is a very serious charge. It means, if it means anything the managements of the chief industry in this country with being in a conspir-scy to rob the Government of the United States. Congress appointed a bipartisan commission to investigate the whole subject. That commission, of which ex-Senator Jonathan Bourne, Jr., was chairman, recently recommended, as the result of its inquiry, the passage of a bill which would have increased the pay of the railroads. Was Senator Bourne's committee duped by the roads or did his committee become a party to the conspiracy to steal? he conspiracy to steal?

"The fact is that Mr. Burleson, through lack of understanding of the postal service and through reliance upon advisers who were accused by the joint bi-partisan commission of Congress of ignorance of their duties and greedy for arbitrary power, is himself permitting the Government of the United States to rob the railroads of at least half what is due them for carrying parcel-post. The railroads defy the Postmaster General to point to a single act of their rail-way mail pay committee, in its effort to present the facts in this case to the people, which has not been absolutely legitimate. The American people when informed are fair. We believe they will repudiate demagogy in every form the railroads ask is fair play, master General is evidently ed they shall not have it. The therefore appeal to the people and they intend to present their case aggressively as they know how in every Congres-sional district in the United States, believing that when the next Congress meets the people will voice their deter-mination that the railroads shall receive the justice which is due them.

'Flat Iron Murderer" Is Moved for Safe Keeping

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 23. Vernie Lewis, who confessed to being the flat-iron murderer of the Balding family in Terre Haute, was brought here today to escape almost certain mob violence there. Lewis declared he loved Mrs. Will Balding, and that his fear that she move away with her

ago and was brought North for treat-ment. His condition became alarming were crushed, and they probably will on Monday, and he falled to rally.